

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

Domestic Sugar Program—2023 Cane Sugar Marketing Allotments and Cane and Beet Processor Allocations

AGENCY: Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is issuing this notice to increase the fiscal year 2023 (FY23) overall sugar marketing allotment quantity (OAQ); increase beet and State cane sugar allotments; revise company allocations to sugar beet and sugar cane processors; and reassign beet and cane sugar marketing allocations to raw cane sugar imports already anticipated. These actions apply to all domestic beet and cane sugar marketed for human consumption in the United States from October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 30, 2022, USDA announced the initial FY23 OAQ, which was established at 10,646,250 short tons, raw value, (STRV) equal to 85 percent of the estimated quantity of sugar for domestic human consumption for the fiscal year of 12,525,000 STRV as forecast in the September 2022 World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates report (WASDE). The Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (Pub. L. 75-430) requires that 54.35 percent of the OAQ be

distributed among beet processors and 45.65 percent be distributed among the sugarcane States and cane processors.

In the March 2023 WASDE release, USDA increased the FY23 estimate of sugar consumption for food use to 12,600,000 STRV. As a result, USDA is increasing the FY23 OAQ to 10,710,000 STRV. The revised beet sector allotment is 5,820,885 STRV (an increase of 34,648) and the revised cane sector allotment is 4,889,115 STRV (an increase of 29,102). The revised beet and cane sector allotments are distributed to individual processors according to statutory formulas as shown in the table below (see the column labeled "Preliminary Revised Allocation").

In accordance with section 359e of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359ee), after evaluating each sugar beet processor's ability to market its full allocation, USDA is transferring FY23 allocations from sugar beet processors with surplus allocation to those with deficit allocation listed in the table below. USDA has also determined that domestic beet sugar supplies are inadequate to fill the FY23 beet sugar marketing allotment.

In accordance with 7 U.S.C. 1359ee(b)(2), USDA is reassigning 250,000 STRV of the deficit to raw cane sugar imports already anticipated, given the absence of any Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) stocks of sugar. In the table below, each sugar beet processor's allocation following these changes is shown in the column labeled "Revised FY23 Allocations" and the amount of change in each processor's allocation in the column labeled "Reassigned Amount."

In accordance with section 7 U.S.C. 1359ee(b)(1), after evaluating each sugarcane processor's ability to market its full allocation, USDA is transferring FY23 allocations from sugarcane processors with surplus allocation to those with deficit allocation in the table below. USDA has also determined that domestic cane sugar supplies are inadequate to fill the FY23 cane sugar marketing allotment.

In accordance with 7 U.S.C. 1359ee(b)(1), USDA is reassigning 500,000 STRV of the deficit to raw cane sugar imports already anticipated, given the absence of any CCC stocks of sugar. In the table, each sugarcane processor's allocation following these changes is shown in the column labeled "Revised FY23 Allocations" and the amount of change in each processor's allocation in the column labeled "Reassigned Amount."

FY23 Revised Beet and Cane Allotments and Allocations* (short tons, raw value)

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Distribution	Initial FY23		Preliminary Revised	Reassigned	Revised FY23
	Allocations	Increase	Allocations	Amount	Allocations
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Beet Sugar	5,786,237	34,648	5,820,885	-250,000	5,570,885
Cane Sugar	4,860,013		4,889,115	-500,000	4,389,115
Total OAQ	10,646,250	63,750	10,710,000	-750,000	9,960,000
Beet Processors	Marketing Al	locations:			
Amalgamated	1,238,877	7,418	1,246,296	-52,558	1,193,737
Sugar		,	, ,	,	, ,
American	2,128,113	12,774	2,140,887	-100,973	2,039,915
Crystal Sugar			, ,	,	
Michigan Sugar	597,577	3,578	601,155	106,126	707,281
Minn-Dak	401,848	2,406	404,254	15,500	419,754
Farmers Coop					
So Minn Beet	780,958	4,676	785,634	-135,040	650,595
Sugar					
Western Sugar	590,415	3,505	593,919	-78,400	515,519
Wyoming Sugar	48,449	290	48,739	-4,655	44,085
Total Beet	5,786,237	34,648	5,820,885	-250,000	5,570,885
Sugar					
State Cane Suga	r Allotments:				
Florida	2,612,146	15,642	2,627,788	-475,313	2,152,475
Louisiana	2,020,789	12,101	2,032,889	102,107	2,134,997
Texas	227,078	1,360	228,438	-126,795	101,643
Total Cane	4,860,013	29,102	4,889,115	-500,000	4,389,115
Sugar					
Cane Processors	Marketing A	llocation:			
Florida:					
Florida Crystals	1,075,489		1,081,929	-309,510	772,420
Growers Coop	469,887	2,814	472,700	-66,443	406,257
U.S. Sugar	1,066,770	6,388	1,073,158	-99,360	973,798
Total Florida	2,612,146	15,642	2,627,788	-475,313	2,152,475
Louisiana:					

LA Sugarcane	1,402,896	8,401	1,411,296	52,636	1,463,932
Products					
M.A. Patout	617,893	3,700	621,593	49,471	671,065
Total Louisiana	2,020,789	12,101	2,032,889	102,107	2,134,997
Texas:					
Rio Grande Valley	227,078	1,360	228,438	-126,795	101,643

^{*}Numbers may not sum to row or column totals due to rounding.

These FY23 sugar marketing allotment program actions will not prevent any domestic sugarcane or sugar beet processor from marketing all of its FY23 sugar supply. USDA will closely monitor stocks, consumption, imports, and all sugar market and program variables on an ongoing basis and may make further program adjustments during FY23, if needed.

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